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TO PUT HEAVY MACHINES INTO SERIAL PRODUCTION

The outstanding product of Hungary's heavy industry during 1950 was the all-purpose rapid lathe. All-purpose milling machines, radial boring machines, and foundry sawing machines were manufactured in Hungary for the first time in 1950.

Great progress was made also in the manufacture of agricultural machines. Tractor plows, tractor harrows, tractor cultivators, tractor planting machines, and the latest type caterpillar tractors were made for the first time in Hungary during 1950.

During 1951, the serial manufacture of binders will be the feature of Hungary's agricultural machine industry. Thus far, these machines have been manufactured experimentally only. Serial manufacture of harvester combines, corn binders, tractor hay mowers, and of planting machines, which are expected to revolutionize Hungarian agriculture, will likewise be begun in 1951.

For the purposes of the building industry, the manufacture of dumpers, or trucks equipped with tipping mechanism, will be begun. These trucks should considerably speed up foundation work for the building industry. Manufacture of pumps and of the latest-type compressors will also be begun in 1951.

In the mining machine industry, the Ajtay quarrying machines and the Szeman breaching machines, experiments with which have been highly successful, will go into serial production. Manufacture of the Szilard Ajtay mining combine will also be begun in 1951. In the light industry, manufacture of latest-type narrow-film projectors and of automobile radios will be begun.

The newest-type 5-ton autobusses will be manufactured in large numbers during 1951. A novelty of the Hungarian automobile industry will be the 3½-ton blockless autobus, in which the block is dispensed with and the motor and gear are built into the chassis. The chassis is made of corrugated pressed sheet metal.

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The Hungarian chemical industry is preparing for the realization of important tasks. It will begin the manufacture of synthetic corundum, which heretofore has been imported, for the production of abrasives. The basic raw material, bauxite or alum, is in plentiful supply in Hungary.

Manufacture of penicillin on a small scale will also be begun. Small amounts of penicillin are being made in Hungary currently, but the largest part of the country's requirements has to be imported.

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